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# (U) CALIFORNIA

# (U) Los Angeles – LAX Security Overlooked Gun in Off-Duty Officer's Carry-On Bag

(U) Procedures were violated at Los Angeles International Airport (LAX) when an off-duty police officer boarded a flight to Taiwan with a non-departmental issued handgun in her carry-on bag, according to the Transportation Security Administration. The officer was barred from leaving Taiwan on 13 April after entering the country with the gun that was previously missed by security at LAX. SOURCE: 15 April 2017, LA Times

# (U) NATIONAL

# (U) District of Columbia – Treasury Targets Two Mexican Companies Connected to Drug Cartel

(U) Washington – The Treasury Department targeted on Thursday two Mexican companies that authorities say are connected to a drug cartel. Treasury's Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) designated Yorv Inmobiliaria and Grupo Segtac property companies based out of central Mexico. Each company manages a Mexican shopping center that serves as a front for the Los Cunis Drug Trafficking Organization. The companies were designated as narcotics traffickers by OFAC, cutting them off from the US financial system and banning US persons and companies from financial transactions with them. SOURCE: 20 April 2017, The Hill

#### (U) Washington - Three Seattle Officers Shot

(U) Seattle – Three Seattle police officers were shot and injured during an exchange of gunfire with a suspect, who later died, after a robbery at a downtown convenience store. Three people are suspected in the Thursday robbery at a 7-Eleven store near Pioneer Square, the city's oldest neighborhood, according to the Deputy Police Chief. Officers chased two suspects who ran from the store. While one officer struggled with a male suspect on the ground, a female suspect struck the officer over the head with a bottle, according to police. The male suspect then ran to the entryway of an office building where he shot at police.

SOURCE: 21 April 2017, AP

# (U) INTERNATIONAL

# (U) France - Gunman in Paris was Focus of Anti-Terror Probe

(U) Paris – The gunman who killed a police officer in Paris yesterday has been identified from papers left in his vehicle. Local media are reporting that the suspect lived in the city's suburbs, and had been seen as a potential extremist by intelligence agencies. The gunman shot three police officers before being killed by security forces on the Champs Elysees. A pump-action shotgun and knives were found in his car, according to French TV. ISIS claimed the attack was carried out by one of its fighters. SOURCE: 21 April 2017, BBC and CNN

# (U) Nigeria - Nigeria's Spy Chief Suspended After \$43 Million Seized From Apartment

(U) Lagos – Nigeria's spy chief has been suspended amid reports that a \$43 million stash seized in a

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widely reported apartment raid belonged to his agency. Nigerian President Muhammadu Buhari suspended Ayodele Oke, Director-General of the National Intelligence Agency, over the 12 April raid. When Nigeria's anti-corruption agency raided the upscale apartment in Lagos, agents found more than \$43 million as well as 23.2 million naira. Oke admitted his agency was responsible for the cash, saying it was being stored for covert operations, according to local media reports. SOURCE: 20 April 2017, CNN

# (U) Thailand - A Series of Grenade, Bomb and Gun Attacks Rock Southern Thailand

(U) Narathiwat – Two suspected insurgents have been killed following a series of coordinated attacks in 15 separate locations in Thailand's southern border provinces on Wednesday. In 12 attacks reported in Narathiwat and Pattani, grenades were fired or thrown at military personnel, police stations, and villagers' homes. Suspected insurgents also opened fire on a unit of troops. A low-level separatist insurgency has persisted in Thailand's Muslim South for decades but intensified in the early 2000s. SOURCE: 19 April 2017, TIME

# (U) United Kingdom – Free Hacking Tools Help Young Into Cyber Crime

(U) London – Free, easy-to-use hacking tools help many young people slip into a life of cyber-crime, according to a report. The United Kingdom's National Crime Agency (NCA) has detailed the "pathways" taken by people who become criminals. Many started by getting involved with game-cheat websites or forums that talked about ways to change or "mod" games, according to the report. Mentors, role models and positive opportunities could deter people from committing cyber-crime, the NCA added. SOURCE: 20 April 2017, BBC

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